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In re Application of:

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IMAGING ELEMENT HAVING IMPROVED CRACK PROPAGATION DURING CONVERSION

Serial No. 10/033,496

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In the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendments. This amendment is in response to the Final Rejection dated July 15, 2005.

REMARKS

A discussion of the Examiner's response to the applicants' arguments appears after the discussion of the rejections.

In paragraph 4 claims 2-8 and 18-21 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Dontula (976) for the reasons set forth in the previous office action of February 25, 2005. The Examiner states that Dontula (976) discloses all features of the instantly claimed invention. The Examiner's position is that a suitable toughness of each layer is clearly anticipated by Dontula

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